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1. WITH ARRIVAL 40 NEW TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL DIRECT FROM HAVANA ON 12 FEBRUARY,

TOTAL NUMBER OF CUBANS NOW IN PLACE IN RIO MUNI AND ON FRANCISCO MACIAS ISLAND ESTIMATED AT A LITTLE OVER 200. MOST MINISTRIES HAVE CUBAN REPRESENTATION. MINISTER OF POPULAR CONSTRUCTION OYONO TOLD IBRD ROAD PROJECT MANAGER RUEDA, THAT PROJECT PLANS WOULD BE CHECKED BY TWO CUBAN ENGINEERS NOW ON STAFF OF MINISTRY. ALTHOUGH HOTEL URECA AND HOTEL BAHIA STILL FULL OF CUBANS, THERE NOW IS ESTABLISHED COMMON EATING FACILITY FOR ALL CUBANS IN MALABO. PRESUMEDLY SAME IS BEING ARRANGED ELSEWHERE WHEREVER POSSIBLE. CUBANS ARE SHARING LOCAL PROBLEMS, INCLUDING LACK OF FOOD (NO COFFEE
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SUGAR, BEER, ETC), WATER (WHICH FLOWS 2-3 HOURS DAILY) AND NO

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ELECTRICITY (CITY GENERATOR OUT OF SERVICE SINCE 2 FEBRUARY), BUT
CUBAN SUPPLY SHIP SUPPOSEDLY SOON TO ARRIVE.

2. THREE CUBAN FISHING FACTORY SHIPS ARRIVED IN HARBOR OF
MALABO ON MORNING 15 FEBRUARY. ONE IDENTIFIED BY CONSUL CLARKE AS
"SHAHTORSK" (NUMBER FR-4252) AND ANOTHER AS "ARIGUE." NAME ON
THIRD SHIP INDISTINCT FROM DISTANCE.

3. IN CONVERSATION WITH NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR BASSEY ON
14 FEBRUARY, CONSUL CLARKE TOLD THAT FMG WOULD "SOON" ESTABLISH
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA.
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